

Stage Strike Closes Two More Houses

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houses in this set forth that contracts shall be "inviolable."

It also indicated a plan for a permanent board of arbitration to settle disputes between managers and actors. This board would consist of two actors, two managers and an umpire, to be selected by the others.

In the preamble of the constitution it is stated:

"We are an organization that purposes never to strike. We are founded on cooperation and fidelity. We are the committee appointed on Friday to visit George M. Cohan had informed Mr. Cohan they did not want to discuss the business of the Actors' Fidelity League with him until he had resigned as a member of the Producing Managers' Association.

"Mr. Cohan told us that he would not only resign, but would give the society off with \$100,000. We told him we could not accept such a gift, but that the early expenses of the organization would be met by the members of the executive committee who had agreed to contribute \$300 each."

Resigning Mr. Cohan, who was not only a member of the executive committee, but also a member of the board of directors, David Warfield, Mrs. Minnie Madden Fiske, Holbrook Blinn, Lowell Sherman, Arthur Ashley, Fay Bainter, Marjorie Wood, Leatrice Joy, Fredrick, and Janet Beecher. The board of directors, David Warfield, Mrs. Minnie Madden Fiske, Holbrook Blinn, Lowell Sherman, Arthur Ashley, Fay Bainter, Marjorie Wood, Leatrice Joy, Fredrick, and Janet Beecher. The board of directors, David Warfield, Mrs. Minnie Madden Fiske, Holbrook Blinn, Lowell Sherman, Arthur Ashley, Fay Bainter, Marjorie Wood, Leatrice Joy, Fredrick, and Janet Beecher.

"I want you to know that the man you have elected to be your president is a man who has been in the theatre for ever walked on this earth," she said. "I never met him until recently, but I'd always known that he was what we have found him to be."

Hope Crews, Otis Skinner, Mrs. Fiske and Billie Burke, the wife of Florenz Ziegfeld, Jr., a member of the Managers' Association.

May Face Contempt Charge

Justice Peter A. Hendrick, in Part I. Special Term of the Supreme Court, indicated yesterday that certain strike leaders may be brought into his court to answer a contempt charge. Justice Hendrick was angered by a newspaper account of a speech made by Charles Shays, president of the Actors' Equity Association at the Lexington Avenue Theatre Friday afternoon. Mr. Shays is president of the stage hands' union, counsel for striking actors and managers were then to argue a motion to vacate the temporary injunctions restraining Equity leaders from calling certain companies to strike.

Justice Hendrick read into the record from a newspaper clipping these remarks attributed to Mr. Shays:

"The judges of this city and state and politicians who, prior to election, have promised us that after we have won the right to work, they will see to it that we are not kept from bettering ourselves now far they go in this particular strike we have won."

Mr. Shays was in the courtroom, but was called to the bar, saying he was asking if you repudiate anyone who makes a statement tending to intimidate the judge of this court."

Mr. Turner then repudiated the remarks attributed to Shays, saying he was entirely out of sympathy with such statements.

Justice Hendrick said he wished to hear from counsel what they thought of the remarks. He said he regarded the statement as contemptuous, and added he would not be swayed from the course he had mapped out by threats.

Attorneys Martin W. Littleton and Justus Sheffeld, representing some of the actor defendants in the injunction proceedings, expressed themselves as strongly opposed to the statement attributed to Mr. Shays.

"Do you approve of the remarks of Shays?" Justice Hendrick then asked Paul Turner, the counsel of record for the Actors' Equity Association. "What have you to say about one of your clients making such a statement?"

Court Quizzes Lawyer

Mr. Turner did not reply at once and Justice Hendrick demanded:

"Mr. Turner, do you approve or disapprove of those remarks? I ask you as an officer of this court, what have you to say about the action of one of your members? Do you repudiate these remarks?"

Mr. Turner replied he would feel humiliated if such remarks were attributed to him.

"That was not my question," retorted Justice Hendrick. "What I want to know is what you think about the propriety of speakers at your meeting making such remarks?"

Justice Hendrick indicated that he would decide on the motion to vacate the injunctions Monday.

At one point during the proceedings while Mr. Littleton was contending that a court of equity had no right to interfere between employer and employee and that the court had no right to act as a laborer in the actors' strike, Justice Hendrick interrupted to say:

"Keep quiet, Mr. Littleton! Sit down!"

Mr. Littleton continued. Then Jus-

Chicago Film Houses Hit by Strike Edict

CHICAGO, Aug. 23.—Managers of moving picture theatres were notified today to bar all pictures manufactured by companies affiliated with the Producing Managers' Association. This was the latest move in the actors' strike. So far as could be learned all managers complied with the ultimatum sent out by officials of the Film Operators' Union.

Thomas Reynolds, president of the Operators' Union, announced that if any attempt was made by motion picture theatres to show pictures which have been placed under the ban the operators would walk out. He said five large picture producing companies were on the blacklist.

With the closing of the engagement of Fiske O'Hara in "Down Limerick Way" at the Olympic tonight, the total of closed theatres reached ten. Any efforts to reopen these houses with motion pictures will be blocked, union officials declared.

Justice Hendrick pointed a finger at him and said: "I command you not to speak another word. Disobey, if you dare."

Mr. Littleton resumed his seat and Justice Hendrick said:

"What's the Odds?" Strike Ordered

The thirty-six members of the cast of "What's the Odds?" a musical version of "The Cheaters," which has been rehearsing for several weeks, were ordered to strike yesterday by officials of the Actors' Equity Association. The producers, Shannon & Bennett, had joined the Producing Managers' Association. All in the cast were members of the Actors' Equity Association.

Three members announced last night that they would disobey the strike order and resign from the Equity. These were Billy Meehan, George McKay and Mabel Withee.

Performances of the Equity Benefit at the Theatre, which has been ordered to strike yesterday by officials of the Actors' Equity Association. The producers, Shannon & Bennett, had joined the Producing Managers' Association. All in the cast were members of the Actors' Equity Association.

Although the Saratoga show will play for one night only, the Thomashefsky Theatre production will set a precedent by playing the "two-day" crowd for an extended engagement.

Special trains will carry the company of Broadway stars to Saratoga Wednesday. Frank Tinney and Pearl White, Barney Bernard, Harry Fox, the Dolly Sisters, Eddie Cantor and other notables will make the trip. Colonel Earle Boethe, chairman of the entertainment committee, estimated a minimum of \$10,000 to be expected in receipts.

Cooperative Theatre Suggested

Barney Bernard will supervise the Thomashefsky Theatre productions. An all-star programme has been arranged for a Labor Day opening.

"A cooperative theatre on a profit-sharing basis for the actors throughout the country should be one result of this fight," said Colonel Boethe. "If the managers persist in holding out, it will be possible to tour the country with stock companies and to establish extended runs in New York and out-of-town theatres. Our success in the Lexington Avenue proves that actors can organize shows as successfully as the managers."

John Drew and Ethel Barrymore will lead the grand march at the Actors' Equity Ball in the Hotel Astor next Thursday evening. Hassard Short, chairman of the ball committee announced last night. Miss Barrymore will come direct from the Lexington Avenue Theatre, where she is playing Juliet for the first time.

The following stars have volunteered to appear in the cabaret at the ball: Dorothy Dickson and Carl Hyson; the Dolly Sisters, Marjorie Bentley, Jane Lowe, Adelaide and Hughes, Carl Randall, Major Wally McCutcheon, Mae Murray, Jessica Brown, Lewis Sloden, and Marie Dressler's chorus boys and girls. Carl Prince's orchestra, Ted Lewis and his Jazz Band, and the Memphis Five Jazz Band will supply music.

Arthur Hammerstein Enjoins His Actors

Members of Cast of "Somebody's Sweetheart" Legally Forbidden to Quit the Show

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE

BOSTON, Aug. 23.—Judge Lawton, of the Superior Court, today issued a temporary injunction at the instance of the Arthur Hammerstein Enterprises to prevent a possible strike by the members of the company that is to produce "Somebody's Sweetheart" at the Majestic Theatre. The show opened tonight.

The respondents named are Louise Allen, John Dunsmure, Eva Fallon, Natalie Howe, Ardelle Cleves, Eugene Redding, Royal Cutter, Albert Sackett and Veronica Conwell, members of the company, and Francis Wilson and Frank Gillmore, president and secretary, respectively of the Actors' Equity Association. An order of notice has

been made returnable on Wednesday next.

The plaintiff says that on June 18 he entered into a contract with the Shubert theatrical company to give "Somebody's Sweetheart" at the Shubert Theatre from August 23 to October 11, and nearly all the respondents agreed in writing not to leave the company without giving notice of from one to two weeks.

Postal Says W. U. Cut Off Its Charge Account

Asks Court to Restore Privilege It Had Before Rate Was Reduced

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE

ALBANY, Aug. 23.—The Postal Telegraph and Cable Company today filed a formal complaint against the Western Union Telegraph Company with the Public Service Commission, alleging that the latter company is refusing to receive messages from the petitioner unless cash is paid for them.

The complaint alleges that prior to August 1 last the Western Union company allowed the Postal company a charge account on messages, "the same as it does with all other customers, responsible members of the public."

The Postal company says that on August 1 it reduced the telegraph tolls on messages by 20 per cent, and alleges that in retaliation the Western Union cut off the privilege of the charge account.

The complaint also says the Western Union is refusing to accept messages from its own customers if the message is sent direct to a Western Union office by a Postal messenger, unless cash is paid.

The complaint asks for an order permanently restraining the Western Union company from demanding and collecting cash for the messages transferred, and asks the restoration of the credit system.

U. S. Releases Flour

Seized in Boston Raid

BOSTON, Aug. 23.—The Federal government today relinquished to the owners 16,200 bags of flour seized in a South Boston warehouse a week ago.

Counsel for the four owners of the flour showed to the satisfaction of the court that there was no intention to hoard the supply.

British Labor Warned of 'Fateful Months' Ahead

LONDON, Aug. 23.—The quarterly report of the General Federation of Trades Unions contains a warning by the management committee.

"November, 1919, to May, 1920, will be fateful months," says the report. "Unless sanity returns and production increases they will be tragic months."

Britain Offers \$300,000 Spur To Air Mastery

System of Prizes Designed to Stimulate Aircraft Competition and Obtain Commercial Efficiency

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LONDON, Aug. 23.—Great Britain's latest bid to put her aircraft production in the position formerly occupied by her shipbuilding industry comes in the form of a government offer of valuable prizes to private British companies for development of aircraft which England will buy and use in an attempt to obtain commercial "mastery of the air."

The scheme for commercial aircraft competition throughout the British Empire, just announced by the Air Ministry, has received nationwide approval. The aim of the competitions, for which \$300,000 in prizes have been offered, is to obtain a real advance in the efficiency and design of airplanes and seaplanes, more especially with the view of increasing safety.

Handley Page, Sopwith, Vickers-Vimy, Wells and other large manufacturers of airplanes are going in for the prizes. The fact that safety has been made the most important feature required meets general approval, for although Great Britain went in for commercial flying and, particularly, mail transport on a considerable scale in May this year, there has been a disquieting proportion of accidents which have somewhat dulled the national interest. All the machines to be entered in the present competition must be equipped with parachutes.

Nine prizes are offered. Three of \$80,000 are for two-seaters which must have speeds ranging between forty and one hundred miles and hour, and which must make two flights lasting three and one-half hours, carrying full enough for 450 miles in addition to a mail transport on a considerable scale in May this year, there has been a disquieting proportion of accidents which have somewhat dulled the national interest. All the machines to be entered in the present competition must be equipped with parachutes.

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Packers' Payrolls Doubled During War

Official Survey Shows Yearly Wage Paid Increased From \$603 to \$1,163

CHICAGO, Aug. 23.—Reports of a survey by the Institute of American Meat Packers, showing how the war affected the labor problem of the packers, and declaring that the packing industry now outranks every business in the country in the total value of its product, was issued here today.

The leading packers paid a total of \$61,351,905.77 for labor in 1918, compared with \$18,489,037.24 in 1912, an increase in six years of \$42,862,868.53, or 231.7 per cent.

In 1912 sixteen packers had 30,278 employees, while in 1918 the same companies reported 51,895 employees.

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Italy Plans to Raise Funds by Forced Loans

Citizens Will Be Obligated to Take Bonds at Low Rate to Fill Treasury

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—The Italian government will not make a general levy on property, but will obligate Italian citizens residing within the kingdom to subscribe to a loan at low interest, the Italian Embassy was advised today in an official dispatch from Rome.

The amount each citizen is to subscribe will be proportionate to his fortune.

"The Italian government with this measure," said a statement by the embassy, "together with certain taxes to be imposed, according to a statement by Premier Nitti, expects to restore the Italian finances to a condition of stability and regularity within a short time. Foreigners and Italians residing abroad having deposits in the kingdom have no ground for apprehension."

Union Declared to Seek Rail Tie-Up

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—"Success of the strike on which the railway shippers of the country now are voting will depend entirely upon how we can stop the transportation service of the country," said a circular prepared in the Senate today by Senator Thomas, Democrat, of Colorado. The Senator said the statement had been sent out by the railway employees' department of the American Federation of Labor.

The circular, dated August 5, said if it came to a strike, "we want to make the tieup complete and keep it in that condition until we get proper recognition."

Senator Thomas said this situation was a perfectly legitimate development of the action of Congress in 1914 in exempting organizations of laboring men from the operation of the anti-trust law.

Demands of the shippers as well as other railroad employees for increased wages are now being considered by Director General Hines, of the railroad administration.

Engineer Urged on I. C. C.

Letter Sent to President on Board Vacancy

The Engineering Council, of which J. Parker Channing is president, has written President Wilson urging that a member of their profession be appointed to the vacancy on the Interstate Commerce Commission.

"Engineers members wisely chosen," the letter says, in part, "would bring to the investigations and deliberations of the Interstate Commerce Commission not only technical knowledge of great value, but also experience in executive duties, a judicial attitude gained through the direction of work under contracts, minds of analytical habit, familiarity with costs of construction and operation, experience in dealing with employees of many vocations and integrity of thought, cultivated by that inescapable obedience to the laws of nature involved in the practice of this profession."

"Well, I flew high," Says Looted Bank's Cashier

Seventh Man Arrested Here for \$2,000,000 Philadelphia Financial Crash

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 23.—Ellwood H. Strang, paying teller in the wrecked North Penn Bank, was arraigned here today and held in jail in default of \$25,000 bail on charges of embezzlement. A further hearing will be held on September 4.

Strang was arrested in New York yesterday by Philadelphia detectives while trying to sell to a dealer in second hand automobiles his high-powered car, plum colored with yellow wheels, that had made him a familiar figure in this city. He had been missing since July 29, the day a fellow clerk unexpectedly told the story of the looting of the bank.

Before his hearing Strang remarked: "Well, I've flown high. I've had a pretty good time, and now I've come a cropper."

His is the seventh arrest since the bank failed in July. When arrested he had in his possession checks for \$395,000. These were overdraws by the bank's customers, which may result in the collection of some cash for the creditors.

Says She Is Still Boss

Wife Has Ex-Soldier Arrested on Bigamy Charge

CARMEL, N. Y., Aug. 23.—Ernest Leighton, a twenty-three-year-old veteran of the war, is in the Putnam County jail, charged with bigamy. His wife, Margaret Greer Leighton, charges that he married May Brazil last June at St. Paul's Church, John Street, Brooklyn. Her information, she said, came from Miss Edna Spangenberg, of 97 Ashburton Avenue, Yonkers, who was a bridesmaid at the second ceremony.

When told that Leighton said he thought his first marriage had been annulled Mrs. Leighton remarked: "Well, I am still his boss, and I'll see about this."

Twin Soldiers Have Similar Experiences

Enlisting Same Day, Both Wounded and Now Learn Vocations

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—Vocational advisers of the Federal Board for Vocational Education, called attention today to similarities in the cases of two brothers.

Walter F. and Albert T. Grierson are twins who enlisted in the A. E. F. on May 10, 1917. Both saw service in France; both were wounded, one received a gun shot wound through the ankle, resulting in partial paralysis, the other received a gunshot wound through the right arm, causing paralysis of the hand. Before they enlisted both boys were bank clerks. Now they have applied for training under the Vocational rehabilitation law and courses in commercial work to be followed by special training in South American trade relations at the University of Washington have been approved for both.

Former Tennis Champion Molla Bjurstedt to Wed

Will Be Bride of Franklin Mallory, Representative of Bankers Here

The engagement of Miss Molla Bjurstedt, former national tennis champion, to Franklin Mallory, of this city, was announced yesterday. Mr. Mallory is the New York representative of Drayton, Pennington & Colket, Philadelphia bankers. He did not attempt to win his future bride on the tennis court, he said.

"I met Miss Bjurstedt first at Palm Beach, two years ago," he said, "but not as a game of tennis. I am not recognized as a tennis player."

Miss Bjurstedt held the championship four years and was defeated last June in the semi-finals of the National Women's Tennis Championship on the Marion Cricket Club courts.

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